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Remarks/Arguments

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Claims 1-26 remain pending in the application. Claim 1 is independent. Claims have not been amended in this response.

Claim rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 1-4 and 6-26 stand rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Harrison (EP-1343280, hereinafter Harrison) in view of Hunt et al. (US 6,760,804, hereinafter Hunt). Claim 5 stands rejected as allegedly being unpatentable over Harrison in view of Hunt and further in view of Kaplan, et al. (US Patent Application Publication 2004/0264444A1). Applicants respectfully traverse the rejections to these claims.

Applicants respectfully note an apparent typographical error as the Harrison publication is "EP-1343280" instead of "EP-1334280" as written in the Office Action.

Claim 1 recites in part, "wherein the first interface is adapted to be presented to an electronic device communicating in IP mode with the IP access point."

The non-final Office Action alleges that paragraph [0006] of the Applicants' published specification admits that Harrison describes the feature "wherein the first interface is adapted to be presented to an electronic device communicating in IP mode with the IP access point," as recited in claim 1. Applicants respectfully submit that the interpretation of paragraph [0006] is clearly erroneous.

Applicants' published specification at paragraph [0006] discloses Harrison as describing an example of a device with the following characteristics, as defined in paragraphs [0002]-[0005]: "a local radiocommunication device comprising: at least one IP point of access adapted to communicate at least outwards from the network in IP mode, a point-to-point communication module adapted to communicate at least with a terminal according to at least one point-to-point communication protocol; and a first interface adapted to allow the IP access point to communicate with the point-to-point communication module." However, contrary to the allegation of the Office Action, the Applicants' specification does not admit that Harrison discloses the feature "wherein the first interface is adapted to be presented to an electronic device communicating in IP mode with the IP access point" as recited in claim 1.

In fact, paragraph [0007] of the Applicants' published specification recites: "The present invention notably has the purpose of facilitating the communication between an

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electronic device that communicates with the IP access point and a terminal that communicates with the point-to-point communication module." Emphasis added. Paragraph [0008] recites: "For this purpose, according to the invention, a local radiocommunication network of the type in question is characterized in that the first interface is adapted to be presented to an electronic device communicating in IP mode with the IP access point." Emphasis added. As such, paragraph [0006] of the Applicants' published specification does not admit that Harrison describes the feature "wherein the first interface is adapted to be presented to an electronic device communicating in IP mode with the IP access point" as recited in claim 1.

Harrison discloses proxy printing service offerings over wireless/Bluetooth networks. Harrison describes, beginning at paragraph [0016], a method of proxying a service in a wireless network including an access point, end point devices capable of wireless connection with the access point, wherein the access point is capable of allowing the end points to access several other services. However, Harrison does not teach, disclose, or even mention "wherein the first interface is adapted to be presented to an electronic device communicating in IP mode with the IP access point," as recited in claim 1.

Like Harrison, Hunt fails to disclose or mention "wherein the first interface is adapted to be presented to an electronic device communicating in IP mode with the IP access point" as recited in claim 1. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the combination of Harrison and Hunt fails to teach or even disclose each and every element of Applicants' claim 1. Thus, independent claim 1 is not rendered obvious and the rejection should be withdrawn.

Claims 2-26 depend from claim 1 and incorporate by reference all of the features of their respective parent claim. Kaplan does not cure the deficiencies of Harrington and Hunt as noted above with respect to claim 1. Therefore, claims 2-26 are allowable at least by virtue of their dependence on an allowable base claim. Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection to claims 1-26 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a).

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, applicants solicit allowance of the claims. If the Examiner cannot take such action, the Examiner should contact the applicant's attorney at (609) 734-6815 to arrange a mutually convenient date and time for a telephonic interview.

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